

Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Frankfort, KY

Project Title Kentucky Domestic Violence Association Rural IDA Project

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Grant Amount \$115,700

Nonfederal Support \$157,373

Project Period September 2004 – September 2009

Highlights Kentucky Domestic Violence Association will support a minimum of

50 participants and match their IDA savings at a rate of \$2 to \$1. Participants may use their IDAs to purchase any of the three allowable assets under AFI: a first home, post-secondary education,

and approved small business items.

The program will administer training and other services through eight domestic violence centers. Participants must complete a ten-part financial education course and participate in ongoing case

management. Each center will also organize monthly peer support meetings for participants. Through partner agencies, the program will also provide free tax preparation to ensure that IDA participants claim Federal Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC) and avoid expensive

refund anticipation loans.

Target Population Low- and very low-income domestic violence victims located in rural

areas in Kentucky.

Grantee/Collaborative Description Kentucky Domestic Violence Association (KDVA) is an association

of the State's 16 domestic violence programs. The KDVA Rural IDA Project is a collaboration of KDVA, eight domestic violence programs serving victims in rural Kentucky, the Kentucky Housing Corporation, the Kentucky Asset Success Initiative, and three banks. Banking partners include Fifth Third Bank, National City Bank, and

Citizens Bank in Elizabethtown.